§ 440.103

Subpart B—Oral Dosage Forms

§ 440.103 Amoxicillin oral dosage forms.

§ 440.103a Amoxicillin trihydrate capsules.

- (a) Requirements for certification—(1) Standards of identity, strength, quality, and purity. Amoxicillin trihydrate capsules are composed of amoxicillin trihydrate with or without one or more suitable and harmless lubricants, diluents, and drying agents, enclosed in a gelatin capsule. Each capsule contains amoxicillin trihydrate equivalent to 250 milligrams or 500 milligrams of amoxicillin. Its potency is satisfactory if it is not less than 90 percent and not more than 120 percent of the number of milligrams of amoxicillin that it is represented to contain. Its moisture content is not more than 14.5 percent. It passes the identity test. amoxicillin trihydrate used conforms to the standards prescribed §440.3(a)(1).
- (2) Labeling. In addition to the labeling requirements prescribed by §432.5 of this chapter, this drug shall be labeled "amoxicillin capsules".
- (3) Requests for certification; samples. In addition to complying with the requirements of §431.1 of this chapter, each such request shall contain:
 - (i) Results of tests and assays on:
- (a) The amoxicillin trihydrate used in making the batch for potency, moisture, pH, amoxicillin content, concordance, crystallinity, and identity.
- (b) The batch for potency, moisture, and identity.
 - (ii) Samples required:
- (a) The amoxicillin trihydrate used in making the batch: 12 packages, each containing approximately 300 milligrams.
- (b) The batch: A minimum of 30 capsules.
- (b) Tests and methods of assay—(1) Potency. Assay for potency by either of the following methods; however, the results obtained from the iodometric assay shall be conclusive:
- (i) Microbiological agar diffusion assay. Proceed as directed in §436.105 of this chapter, preparing the sample for assay as follows: Place a representative number of capsules into a high-speed glass

blender jar containing sufficient 0.1*M* potassium phosphate buffer, pH 8.0 (solution 3), to give a stock solution of convenient concentration. Blend for 3 to 5 minutes. Remove an aliquot and further dilute with solution 3 to the reference concentration of 0.1 microgram of amoxicillin per milliliter (estimated).

- (ii) *Iodometric assay.* Proceed as directed in §436.204 of this chapter, except in paragraph (d) of that section, add 3 drops of 1.2N hydrochloric acid to both the sample and working standard solutions after the addition of 0.01N iodine solution. Prepare the sample as follows: Place the contents of a representative number of capsules into a high-speed glass blender jar and add sufficient distilled water to give a convenient concentration. Blend for 3 to 5 minutes. Further dilute an aliquot with distilled water to the prescribed concentration.
- (2) *Moisture.* Proceed as directed in §436.201 of this chapter.
- (3) *Identity.* Proceed as directed in § 436.311 of this chapter, preparing the sample solution as follows: Dissolve an accurately weighed portion of the amoxicillin capsule contents in 0.1*N* hydrochloric acid to give a solution containing 4 milligrams of amoxicillin per milliliter.

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§ 440.103b Amoxicillin trihydrate for oral suspension.

(a) Requirements for certification—(1) Standards of identity, strength, quality, and purity. Amoxicillin trihydrate for oral suspension is a mixture of amoxicillin trihydrate with one or more suitable and harmless colorings, flavorings, buffers, sweetening ingredients, preservatives, stabilizers, and suspending agents. When reconstituted as directed in the labeling, it contains amoxicillin trihydrate equivalent to either 25 or 50 milligrams of amoxicillin per milliliter. Its potency is satisfactory if it is not less than 90 percent and not more than 120 percent of the number of milligrams of amoxicillin that it is represented to contain. Its moisture content is not more than 3.0 percent. Its pH, when reconstituted as directed